This Week at Shady Grove

Monday, June 1

Mon.-Fri.	Kitty's Kids - G120, 106, 211, 213, 215, 217
9:30 am	Pickleball - Gym
10:15 am	FIT - G110
2:00 pm	Heritage Committee - E203
6:30 pm	Open Gym Pickleball - Gym
7:00 pm	Pack 542 & 544 Leadership Meeting - G111
8:00 pm	Open Gym Basketball - Gym

Tuesday, June 2

10:30 am	Mechanicsville Fellowship Club - Kitchen, G110
7:00 pm	BSA Troop 542 - G211, 213, 215, 217

Wednesday, June 3

10:15 am	FIT - G110
11:30 am	SAC Luncheon - Gym, Kitchen, G110
2:00 pm	Widow's Support Group - G114
5:45 pm	Watson Memorial Clinic - E103, 105, 106
6:30 pm	Basketball Clinics Session 1 - Gym
7:30 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal - S109, 200

Thursday, June 4

8:30 am	Youth to Shalom Farms
10:00 am	Prayer Shawl Ministry - G114

Friday, June 5

9:30 am	Pickleball - Gym
10:15 am	FIT - G110

Sunday, June 7

8:00 am	Nursery - G102
8:15 am	Worship - Sanctuary
9:30 am	Summer Sunday School - G110
9:30 am	Mundie Bible Class - E202
9:45 am	Adult Sunday School - G113, G114, E206
9:45 am	Worship - Sanctuary and online
11:00 am	VBS Setup - Gym, Kitchen, G110, 111, 113, 114, 213, 217, Sanctuary, E103, 105, 202, 206, Playground, Shelter
11:15 am	Faith Connections Sunday School - G111
11:15 am	VBS Volunteer Meeting - G110
11:15 am	Worship - Sanctuary and Online

Today we joyfully welcome Eric and Sharon Martin as new members of our church family at the 9:45 service! Please take a moment to greet them and extend Christ's love and hospitality as they begin this new chapter with us. We are grateful to have them as part of our congregation.

Coffee Time is in the Welcome Center at 10:45 a.m.

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www.kittyskids.net

Welcome

Shady Grove is a place of outreach, service, growth, and love. Many generations call this church home. We hope you will, too.

Information for Parents

**Children are a vital part of our worshiping community!
As needed, a nursery is provided at all worship services.
An usher can assist you.**

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Church Office: (804) 746-9073 Email: info@shadygroveumc.org
Website: shadygroveumc.org**

May 31, 2026 8:15 and 11:15 a.m.

Welcome to Worship

+ The congregation is invited to stand as able.
(UMH) The United Methodist Hymnal (FWS) The Faith We Sing (PB) Pew Bible

Gather for Worship

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

+ Call to Worship
Leader: In our questions and doubts, Christ comes near.
People: We gather to seek the risen Jesus together.
Leader: Jesus speaks peace to fearful hearts.
People: We open our lives to Christ's presence and grace.
Leader: Christ meets us where we are and says, here is the evidence-see, experience, trust.
People: We come to worship with faith, hope, and joy. Amen!

+ Opening Hymn *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty* UMH 64

Proclamation of the Word

Children's Connection (The children are invited to come forward for a time of discipleship)

Apostle's Creed
I believe in God, The Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy *catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

Anthem *Pilgrims' Hymn* by Stephen Paulus
Chamber Choir

Scripture John 20:24-29 PB 883

Message Believing is Seeing Pastor Darcey Johnson

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Barry Burkholder

The Lord's Prayer
Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offertory *Rivers of Delight* by David von Kampen
Chamber Choir

Doxology UMH 94

Sending Forth

+ Closing Hymn *Come, O Thou Traveler Unknown* UMH 386

(You are invited to come forward during the singing of the last hymn
to the communion rail to kneel or stand or pray)

+ Dismissal with Blessing

Postlude

The Shady Grove UMC vision:
Rooted in Christ, Growing in faith, Branching out in love.

Ushers can help you.
Just off the sanctuary lobby is an all-accessible restroom with changing table.

What's Happening- At a Glance

- Senior Luncheon - June 3rd, 11:30 am, gym
- Shalom Farms Volunteering - June 4, 8:30 am-1:00 pm
- All-Ages Trivia - June 4, 6:30 pm, COTU
- VBS- June 8-12
- Youth Volunteering Hanover ARC- June 18, 10 am-1 pm
- Youth Cross Missions- June 21-27
- All-Ages Trivia, July 7, 7:00 pm, The Brass Tap
- Youth to Busch Gardens - July 9
- Appalachia Service Project- July 12-18
- Youth Volunteering Hanover ARC- July 16, 10 am-1 pm
- Youth Lake Retreat- July 21
- All-Ages Trivia - Aug. 5, 7:30 pm, Third Base Grill
- Flying Squirrels Game - Aug. 8, 7:00 pm
- Block Party- Aug. 29, 3:00 pm
- SGUMC Golf Tournament- Sept. 14
- Senior Adult Trip to Hershey, PA- Oct. 6-8

Find and like us on Facebook and Instagram! It's a great way to connect with your Shady Grove family and stay informed about all the exciting things that are happening in and around the church!

MCEF- Needs for June 2026

- Canned pasta
- Macaroni
- Jelly
- Toothpaste
- Deodorant
- Canned meat
- Socks & Underwear (NEW)
- LINENS: Queen sheet sets, towels
- CLOTHING: Now accepting spring and summer clothing. Casual clothing, hoodies, men's long & short sleeved t-shirts, men's pants & jeans in all sizes, children's clothing especially for boys; women's plus-size tops. Clothing must be in good shape (no holes or large stains, please). Thanks!

Place items in the Mission Zone in the area labeled MCEF. Thank you!

Summer 2026 Youth Calendar

June
4 Shalom Farms Volunteering
8-12 VBS!
8, 10, 12 After VBS!
18 Hanover ARC Volunteering
21-27 Cross Missions

July
9 Busch Gardens
16 Hanover ARC Volunteering
20-21 Leadership Retreat
21-23 Lake Retreat

August
8 Holiday Day
12 Rising 6th Grade Putt Putt
17 Burkwood Pool Party
29 Block Party

Contact Matt Franklin with questions: matt@shadygroveumc.org

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Sign up for our weekly E-News and download our latest newsletter at shadygroveumc/churchnews.org.
Visit us online at shadygroveumc.org

Ways to Give

Visit shadygroveumc.org/give/
Text keyword shadygrove to 73256
Set up automatic giving from your bank
Mail your checks to:
Shady Grove UMC, 8209 Shady Grove Rd., Mechanicsville, VA 23111

YOUR WEEKLY NEWS

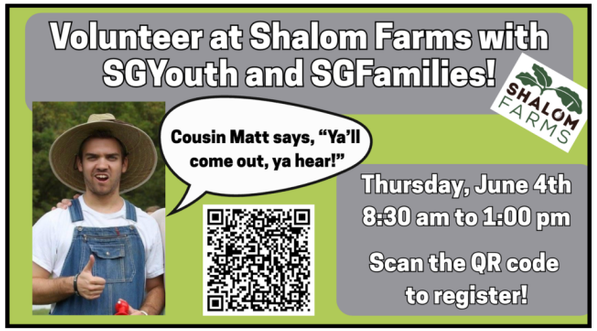
Sunday, May 31, 2026

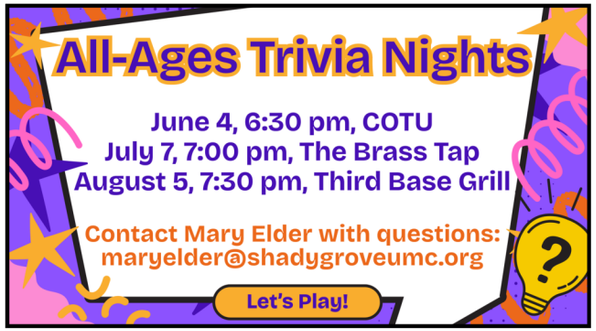
SHADY GROVE
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Welcome First-Time Guests!

We're glad you have chosen to worship with us today, and we hope to see you again soon. Please gather this morning at 10:45 in the Welcome Center for a time of fellowship, coffee, juice, and a sweet treat!

Upcoming Events





Senior Adults

Seniors will be traveling to Hershey Chocolate World, Lancaster Sight & Sound Theater Oct. 6-8. to see the show Joshua and to Gettysburg, PA. Detailed information can be found on the Senior Bulletin Board in the hallway near the Welcome Center. Cost of the trip: Single $785 / Double $605 / Triple $575 / Quad $545. A payment schedule has been set up for your convenience. For questions, contact Margaret Getz at obxmg707@gmail.com or text 804-370-0649.

Missions

The Missions Committee would like to say "THANK YOU" to our church family for your generous support of this year's Easter Offering! Through your faithful giving, a total of $16,063 was received. Because 100% of the Easter Offering goes directly to support missions, your generosity will make a meaningful impact both near and far!

Shady Grove is looking for one or more volunteers to serve as liaisons with MCEF (Mechanicsville Churches Emergency Functions). This role helps coordinate deliveries to MCEF, information, opportunities, and initiatives that support neighbors in need throughout our community. If you have a heart for missions, outreach, and community connection, we'd love to hear from you! Please contact Mary Elder using the button below. Thanks!

United Women in Faith

Spring is not officially over until June 21, so there is still time to do your spring cleaning! There is no need to wait until next March to clean out those closets, drawers, basements and attics for the annual United Women in Faith Yard Sale. The ladies of the UWF are hosting several drop-off days throughout the year and the first one will be Sunday, June 14 from 9 am to noon. Volunteers will be in the church gym to take your donations. If you are inclined to sort your donations by category, please label your boxes/bags. All proceeds from the UWF Yard Sale are distributed to Missions.

Small Groups and Bible Studies

The Prayer Shawl Ministry needs you! Please come any Thursday morning from 10:00-11:30 in G114. Don't know how to knit or crochet? We will teach you! If you're already skilled in needle work but can't come to the meetings, please consider knitting or crocheting at home. We create the little Prayer Squares you see in the baskets around the church plus Prayer Shawls/Blankets for those going through difficult times, baptism blankets for infants and older children, confirmation blankets and blankets or shawls for new members. PLEASE CONSIDER BECOMING A PART OF THIS VIBRANT MINISTRY! Contact Gynanne Hahn for more information at vhahn60@comcast.net.

Recreation Ministry

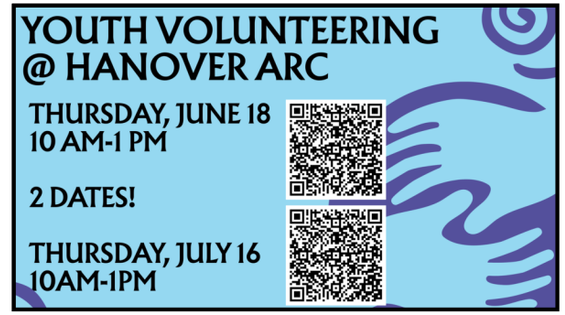
Join us for open gym basketball Monday evenings at 8:00 pm. Contact Matt Franklin for details at matt@shadygroveumc.org.

Children and Families

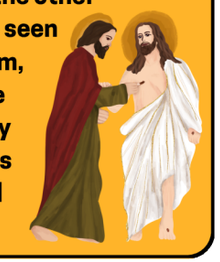
Summer Sunday School will begin on May 31st! All ages will meet in G110. Contact Becky for more details or with questions. Children's Church will go on summer hiatus from May 31 - August 16. We'll resume our 11:15 am class with the start of the new school year. Children's Choirs and Bible Buddies are also taking a break until the fall. Please check this space for more info about when the children's groups will resume!

Youth

Confirmation class starts this fall for 8th graders and up, with a kickoff retreat September 25-26. Students learn about Christian beliefs, history, and what it means to follow Christ. At the end, all are invited to make a commitment of faith through confirmation. We meet about twice a month Sundays from 9:45-12 including worship after the retreat. Email Mary Elder for the registration link or with questions at maryelder@shadygroveumc.org.



More Church News

We are getting super excited about Snowball Mountain Challenge, our 2026 Vacation Bible School that will take place June 8th through 12th! Although the registration link is now closed because we are close to capacity, there are some spots still left! Email Becky: beckyroberts@shadygroveumc.org to inquire.

John 20:24-25- But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."